

**Midland Afghan Hound Club
Open Show
19 September 2010**

BITCHES

Many thanks to everyone for giving me a day to remember and to the MAHC Committee for making me feel so welcome. There were many lovely, quality 'ladies' to judge and I felt that my winners were all of sound construction, without exaggeration and moved well – built to do the job they are loved and bred for.

Veteran Bitch 2 entries (0 abs)

1. **Vowles' Ch Jalhar Leading Lady with Azmari** – Beautifully balanced, classic silver lady in fantastic condition for 10½! Pleasing head and expression, every inch an aristocrat, good length of neck leading to a well placed shoulder, elbows underneath, excellent spring of rib, correct length of loin and good turn of stifle with hind feed firmly on the floor. Super flowing movement which gave her the edge over 2, pity she just seemed to lose energy in the challenge.
2. **Sharman's Rhazmakh Simply Irresistible for Delria** – Again an exquisite lady of 11 years in beautiful condition. Lovely expression, good length of neck, correct shoulder placement, good depth of chest with plenty of heart room. Not exaggerated in any way from hip to stifle to hock – a glowing tribute to her owners.

Minor Puppy Bitch 1 Entry

1. **Mackenzie's Eilthir Quantum of Solace** – Lovely b/silver youngster. Good length of neck, excellent shoulder with good return of upper arm placing elbow correctly under shoulder. Fair depth of chest and spring of rib, good rear angulation which enabled her to move with verve and purpose within the space of the indoor ring. Nicely ringed tail, well presented.

Puppy Bitch 8 entries (1 abs)

1. **Nisbet & Forrester's Kharabou Scot the Look at Finix** – Close decision between 1 & 2 but this little girl had the edge with her lovely flowing movement. Wonderfully free in the shoulder allowing her to really reach out in front, correct springy gait together with tremendous drive from behind, improving the longer she moved. Lovely head and eye shape giving super expression, excellent shoulder and upper arm, equally balanced hind angulation with good length from hip to hock. Good depth of chest and ribcage. Well muscled and beautifully presented. Must have a bright future. **Best Puppy Bitch.**
2. **Odell & Parsons' Sukeshi Ghanaati** – Gorgeous gold bitch with lovely head, excellent eye shape to give the real Afghan expression. Correct neck length leading into well placed shoulder. Good depth of chest giving plenty of heart and lung room, excellent hind angulation – lovely to go over and in super condition. Moved with spring and drive, just not quite the freedom in the shoulder as 1.
3. **Kirk's Istani Cinderella Rocka Fela**

Junior Bitch 8 entries (1 abs)

1. **Meakes & Morris' Andizhan Barikah at Cadmore JW** – Beautifully feminine silver bitch with super head, eye of the correct shape and with the lovely chiselling to her foreface which we see seldom these days. Strong jaw, essential for a hunting hound. Well placed shoulder with excellent deep chest and spring of rib. Strong loin leading to well balanced rear assembly with good angulation, correct tail set. Beautifully balanced little lady with no exaggeration, nicely muscled and moved absolutely straight and true with lovely spring and drive! Never stopped showing, extremely well presented and in superb condition, well deserved **Best Bitch.**

2. **Cross's Gilari Devil Wears Prada** - Again a close decision between 1 & 2. Lovely rich red girl, nicely balanced overall with pleasing lean head and super expression with correct eye shape, feminine but strong jaw, good length of neck flowing into good shoulder placement. Again, lovely depth of chest and spring of rib, slightly longer in loin than 1 but without weakness. Lovely hind angulation with good length from stifle to hock. Moved well but feel that a larger ring would really allow her to open up and cover the ground, showing her true capabilities. In lovely condition and well presented.

3. Kharabou Scot the Look at Finix

Yearling Bitch 6 entries (3 abs)

1. **Andizhan Barikah at Cadmore JW**
2. **Gilari Devil Wears Prada**
3. **Lockett-Davis' Gilari Devil You Know within Rhazmakh**

Maiden Bitch 4 entries (1 w/d)

1. **Kharabou Scot the Look at Finix**
2. **Coombes' Gilari Devil Woman** – Nicely balanced young lady. Balanced lean head, nice length of neck leading to correct shoulder. Good chest and ribcage giving good heart and lung room. Strong loin leading to balanced hindquarters with good fallaway and nice ringed tail. Nicely presented and lovely to see the 'traditional' coat pattern. Unfortunately did not move quite as well as 1.
3. **Stephens' Pashtari Amores**

Novice Bitch 4 entries (2 abs)

1. **Kharabou Scot the Look at Finix**
2. **Sukeshi Ghanaati**

Undergraduate Bitch 4 entries (1 abs)

1. **Gilari Devil Wears Prada**
2. **Kharabou Scot the Look at Finix**
3. **Sukeshi Ghanaati**

Graduate Bitch 4 entries (1 abs)

1. **Andizhan Barikah at Cadmore JW**
2. **Kharabou Scot the Look at Finix**
3. **Lockett-Davis' Gilari Devil You Know within Rhazmakh**

Post Graduate Bitch 4 entries (1 abs)

1. *Forrester's* **Hubblebub Morrigan by Punkly** – Beautiful b/silver bitch. Classic, well balanced head, lovely eye of correct shape. Lovely length of neck flowing into well placed shoulder. Good deep chest and spring of rib, strong loin leading into well balanced hind quarters with super turn of stifle and strong hocks. Correct ringed tail. Moved with spring and drive, very well presented.
2. **Gilari Devil You Know within Rhazmakh** – Lovely gold girl with balanced head, nice dark eye and beautiful chiselling to foreface. Good length of neck, well placed shoulder, plenty of heart and lung room. Good strong loin and well balanced hind quarters. Moved well but seemed to be confined by the indoor ring. In lovely condition and nicely muscled.
3. *Vowels'* **Azmari Opal Mist**

Limit Bitch 2 entries

1. *Stainsby & Stainsby's* **Cloudside Match Maid** – Absolutely beautiful b/silver bitch. Very feminine, she is compact and well balanced, not exaggerated in any way and as such could be easily overlooked. Lovely type, reminded me of old Carloway breeding from years back. Balanced head with nice dark eye of good shape, neck correctly set, with excellent shoulder placement. Good depth of chest and spring of rib, strong loin, excellent rear structure with good turn of stifle and strong hocks, feet planted firmly on the ground. Never stopped showing, she gave her all every time she moved, showing drive and determination. A little lady to love and be proud of, pleased to award her **Reserve Best Bitch**.
2. *Moore's* **Cloudside Match Factor** – Litter sister to 1 and most comments apply, a little taller but no less balanced. Lovely lean head with good eye shape. Excellent front angulation with matching rear assembly. Very good spring of rib so necessary for a hunting hound, but unfortunately not as settled on the move as her sister.

Open Bitch 3 entries (1 abs)

1. *Parker's* **Blue Curacao of Zendushkas** – Very feminine and beautiful blue brindle, lovely balanced lean head with good eye shape and again the chiselling on the foreface to give the classic Afghan look. Compact and well balanced, pleasing overall shape, soundly constructed without exaggeration in front or hind angulation, everything flowing together nicely. Well presented, well muscled and in good condition but not giving her all today in movement.
2. *Lockett-Davis'* **Mhaasud Wind of Change over Rhazmakh** – Well presented lovely b/silver lady of good 'type'. Balanced head with good length of neck, flowed nicely into correct shoulders. Nice depth of chest with good lung room, well balanced hind quarters, however did not move as well as expected – pity.

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